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FLAT CAR DERAILMENT

Negro Shot Three Times With a Pistol in Din-widdle.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
PETERSBURG, VA., Nov. 20.—The charter of Petersburg's newest corporation, the "Petersburg Leather Company, Incorporated," was recorded to-day in the office of the Hustings Court.

The company's maximum capital is fifty thousand dollars, minimum twenty thousand, to be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each.

The purposes of the company include the tanning and retanning of hides, skins and leather of all kinds, the manufacture of leather goods such as harness, bags, boots and shoes, and general dealing in leather and hides and their products. The officers are as follows: President, John Watson; vice-president, James Powell Watson; secretary and treasurer, George W. Watson. These officers, with Robert L. Watson and Brooks Rogers, compose the directorate.

SHOT THREE TIMES.
George Anderson was shot three times with a pistol in a quarrel with another negro yesterday at McKenney, in Din-widdle county. Two of the bullets lodged in the left leg, the third entering the groin, and inflicting a dangerous wound. Anderson was operated upon here to-day at the Home for the Sick.

Reports from seven of the eight schools composing the Methodist Sunday School Association of this city and vicinity were read at the monthly meeting at the Washington Street church yesterday afternoon, and showed the following totals: Registration, 1,585; attendance, 1,419; collections, \$350.00. There was no report from the Ettrick school.

The board of managers of the association will meet next Sunday at the Washington Street church.

NEW PASTOR.
Rev. H. W. Dunkley, the new pastor of Wesley church, made a most favorable impression on his congregation yesterday, and received a cordial welcome.

At the close of a most interesting sermon on the future state of the redeemed, at Washington Street Methodist church last evening, the retiring pastor, Rev. Dr. W. C. St. John, had no formal leave of his congregation, but bade them "good-night and good-bye."

The charter of the "Petersburg Domestic Training School, Incorporated," a school of domestic training for colored girls and boys, was recorded here to-day, with capital limits of ten thousand and one thousand dollars, with stock at fifty dollars a share. The officers are John H. Harris, president and secretary; C. R. Alexander, vice-president; John M. Gandy, treasurer.

DERAILED CAR.
The derailed of a flat car loaded with ties, on the interurban electric line near Petersburg this afternoon caused considerable delay in the running of cars. No one was injured.

KESWICK DRAG.

Run With Full Field and Breakfast at Clover Fields.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
KESWICK, VA., November 20.—The fixture for Saturday's drag hunt at the Keswick contingent and many good sports from the Charlottesville Hunt. The course beginning near Keswick ended on the lawn at "Clover Fields," where the whole hunt and their many guests were royally entertained by Mr. W. H. Greenough, of Providence, R. I., Mr. Greenough, who is a member of the Keswick club, was one of the original charter members, a prince of good fellowship and feels a natural pride and interest in this sporting association which he so successfully helped to launch. Besides many other delicious refreshments, Mr. Greenough, assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Stuart, of Petersburg, dispensed a wonderful "brew," which made glad the hearts of all and filled an evening long to be cherished by his many old friends with mirth and happy song.

The field, the fine scent took the hounds along at a clipping pace. The riding, necessarily brilliant and clean, was without accident. Those riding straight to the line were Julian Morris, on "Granite"; E. H. Joslin, on "Branden"; and "Easter Sunday"; Mrs. Allen Potts, on "Luna"; Dr. Thurman, on "Thunderbolt"; David Sloan, on "Chew"; Arthur White, on "Tatnall"; Harbryns, of Kentucky, on "High Fly"; Mr. Baltz, on "Piedmont"; Anderson, on "Mabbot"; Harbryns, on "Rivanna"; Bob Jackson, on "Lorna"; Minor, on "Top Notch."

Others hunting and breakfast were Mr. and Mrs. Spains, of New York; Dr. and Mrs. Leonard, of Boston; Mr. and Mrs. K. Brown, of New York; Mr. Johnson, of Wisconsin; Mr. Joslin, of New Hampshire; Mr. and Mrs. David Stuart, of Petersburg; Mr. and Mrs. Houghton, of New York; Mr. and Mrs. Thurman, Bowcock, Sawyer, Long, Richards, Randolph, Messrs. Randolph, Richards, Nelson, Mrs. Julian Morris, Mrs. George Macon, Mrs. Harriet Macon, Misses Bowcock, Randolph, Macon, Shackelford, Underhill, Leaven, Dr. Macon, Lady Lees, Coville, Richmond, Everett, Horn, Robins, Mrs. Horn and Miss Long.

JUDGE MASON BETTER.

Mrs. Roosevelt and Daughter Visit Birthplace of Lee.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
FREDERICKSBURG, VA., November 20.—Judge J. B. Mason has been brought from his country home, in King George county, to the Mary Washington Hospital here, and is steadily improving. He expects to be out after a rest of several weeks.

Mrs. Roosevelt, wife of President Roosevelt, with her daughter and son, were in the Northern Neck recently, and visited "Stratford," the birth place of General Robert E. Lee, and "Wakeloid," the birth place of the father of General George Washington.

A few nights ago the barn, corn house, stable and other outbuildings in Orange county, belonging to Mrs. W. P. Parich, were destroyed by fire, the cause of which, a large quantity of wheat, corn, including a large quantity of wheat, corn, and other implements. Three cattle were also consumed. The fire is believed



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to have been of incendiary origin. The loss was heavy. Insurance only \$500. The new plant of the Crescent Excelsior and Planning Company, located near the depots, started in operation here Saturday afternoon. It is a modern, up-to-date enterprise, and will be operated both night and day.

The Elks of this city opened a bazaar at the Opera House to-night, which will be continued through the week. To-night the programme consisted of address, music and tableaux.

BOARD TO MEET HERE.

Will Consider Case of the Recalcitrant Cadets.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
LEXINGTON, VA., November 20.—General Shipp, Superintendent of the Virginia Military Institute, to-day, at the request of Mr. Alexander Hamilton, of Petersburg, President of the Board of Visitors, notified the members that a meeting of the Board would be held in the office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, Richmond, Va., at 8 o'clock, Wednesday evening, November 22nd.

At this meeting the situation at the Institute with reference to the third class will be considered, and it is expected that action will be taken on the paper submitted by Governor Montague on his visit to Lexington last Thursday.

MURDER OF A WOMAN.

Kills Wife of Man With Whom He Had Difficulty.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
BOYDTON, VA., November 20.—Robert Coleman, a negro, had a festival at his house in Clarksville Saturday night. John Stuart, another negro, attended, and the two men that night had a difficulty. They went out into the yard to settle the trouble, when Army Coleman, the wife of Robert, followed. Stuart demanded of the woman what she came to look after her husband. Stuart then drew his pistol and shot her dead. The murderer immediately fled. It is reported here that he has been captured in Danville. Coroner John Stodart, of Clarksville, held an inquest over the body of Army Coleman yesterday.

Fell Down Stairs.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

LYNCHBURG, VA., November 20.—John C. Hamner, a well known citizen of Lynchburg, slipped and fell down a flight of stairs this evening in his home in Rivermont, and received a severe scalp wound, in addition to a number of painful bruises.

Mr. Hamner was descending the steps in the darkness when he missed his footing and plunged headlong to the lower floor.

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A BARKENTINE HAS HARD TIME

Rev. Dr. Frank Brooke, of Alexandria, Called to Norfolk Church.

CUTS HUSBAND WITH AXE

Cut a Piece of His Skull Away and He Still Lives—Coming Here to Play Chess.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
NORFOLK, VA., November 20.—The British barkentine Rescue, Captain Williams, put in here to-day at night. She was bound from Jacksonville, Fla., to Dorchester, N. B., with a cargo of hard pine lumber, when she was struck by a gale off Charleston, S. C. The storm carried away three ribs, all that she carried forward, except a forestay sail; and all of her provisions in the poop, and required the pumps to work all the time to keep her afloat.

She came up the coast in that condition, and put in here for safety and repairs.

The Park Place Presbyterian Church here has called Rev. Dr. Frank Brooke, of Alexandria, to the pastorate, and it is likely that he will accept. He is the brother of Judge D. Tucker Brooke, one of the prominent attorneys here.

SLICED HIS HEAD.

Rufus Fuller, colored, is in the St. Vincent's hospital, and his wife, Lucy, is in jail. They had a fight last night, during which the wife used an axe to cut a great piece of her husband's skull from his head, so that it is a marvel that he lives. When he was taken to the hospital \$71 was found, and that is supposed to have been the cause of the fight. It is possible that the man may be badly hurt, and the woman, who is the piece of bone three inches long and nearly two inches wide was found on the steps to the entrance of the house after the arrest.

ARRESTED FOR CONTEMPT.

Peyser Abraham, of Portsmouth, was arrested by the order of Judge Waddill, of the United States court, this morning on the charge of contempt. His case was deferred till Thursday. He is a bankrupt, and he said that he lost six thousand dollars recently in New York, and still has not given enough details of the loss to satisfy the creditors.

MANAGER FOR BALL TEAM.

Captain Charles T. Bland, owner of the franchise for the Portsmouth Baseball Club, has returned from New York, where he signed Ernest C. Landgraf as manager for the Portsmouth team. Landgraf is a young man with a successful career as a manager. The new manager will report here on April 15th, bringing with him ten professional ball players, to whom will be added ten local players. The cities of the State forming the league are Portsmouth, Norfolk, Newport News, Richmond, Danville, Petersburg, Lynchburg, and Roanoke.

ASSESSMENTS INCREASED.

Mayor J. Davis Reed, of Portsmouth, has been notified that the Corporation Commission has increased the assessments on the Seaboard Air Line Railroad property in Portsmouth to \$107,000. With the increase of \$30,000 for the Atlantic Coast Line, and \$9,000 for the Southern, the railroad assessment has increased \$146,000, which amount will increase the revenue of the city \$245 annually.

TO PLAY CHESS.

Six teams of Norfolk Whist, Chess and Checkers Club will leave for Richmond Saturday, where they will play the Richmond Whist Club that afternoon and night. The teams going are: J. E. Burke and A. Butt; W. J. Kehl and W. A. Jones; V. C. Grant and W. J. Lawrence, Jr.; Dr. H. R. Dupuy and W. R. Heath; H. L. Foster and W. A. Crenshaw; Judge E. Spalding and M. C. Ferbee and S. W. Savage.

DEAD UNDER HIS OVERTURNED CART

The Horse Entangles and Dead of Probable Starvation.

SUFFOLK, VA., Nov. 20.—Following a mysterious three weeks' absence from home, during which time tidings of his whereabouts had been sought with zeal, William Spivey has been found dead in the woods of Stafford county, N. C., not far from Hertford. The news was confirmed to-day by the police chief of Hertford.

Spivey's decaying remains were found beneath his cart, which, apparently, had been overturned, pinning his owner and entangling the horse, which also was dead, likely from starvation.

Spivey last was seen alive about the first of November, when he drove out of Hertford, presumably for home. There is no evidence of foul play.



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HEARTRENDING SCENE IN COURT

Rome T. Chandler Sentenced to Penitentiary for Three Years.

AUNT AND SISTERS PLEAD

One Throws Her Arms Around Judge's Neck and Has to Be Removed By Force.

DANVILLE, VA., November 20.—A pathetic scene was enacted in the United States Court here this afternoon, when Rome T. Chandler, a farmer free delivery carrier of Virgilina, was sentenced to three years in the Atlanta penitentiary for writing and sending letters through the mails to prominent young ladies of that place. When the jury brought in a verdict of guilty, after being out over three hours, the prisoner broke down and cried piteously.

Judge McDowell, in passing sentence on Chandler, said that but for the fact of his delicate health he would give him the full penalty which is ten years. After the judge finished his remarks an aunt and two sisters of the accused rushed up behind the bar, and crying, begged him not to sentence their relative. The scene evoked tears to the eyes of many in the court room.

One of the sisters of the man threw her arms around the neck of the judge, and it was only after a struggle that he freed himself from the weeping woman and retired in the ante-room.

The relatives of Chandler followed him down Main Street as he was being taken to jail, still crying. Chandler seemed to be as much affected as the women, and continued crying for several hours after being in the cell with him, and were forced out of jail by officers.

What is thought to be the real motive for the crime alleged to have been committed by Chandler was not brought out at the trial. The alleged motive is that he is a complete moral wreck, and has reached the lowest grade of depravity.

CAPT. JOHNSON HURT.

Nock's Mill, at Hallwood, Burned the Second Time.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
ONANCOCK, VA., Nov. 20.—Captain Thomas Johnson, who will be ninety-six years old on the 24th of December, while out on a business tour about a week ago, ran into some obstacle while making a turn, and capsized his cart. The cart fell over the side of a road, against a fence, and received a very bad jar for a man fast nearing the century-mark. He was out again to-day, but his happy and industrious as ever.

Mysteriously Missing.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
STAUNTON, VA., Nov. 20.—Miss Mittie Talley, eleven years of age, strangely disappeared on the 4th instant, and nothing has been heard of her since. She had been employed by Mr. C. T. Hammond, United States express agent here, for a number of years as a domestic. She was last seen on the evening of the 4th about 8 o'clock. There is no special cause yet known why she should have so suddenly disappeared. She took nothing with her but her clothing, which she wore. Her sister, Miss Lillie, and the young man who was paying her attention, and with whom she was on good terms, cannot account for her act. She had been suffering with a severe toothache, and had a bottle of laudanum, and some think she accidentally poisoned herself. She was a good girl, of perfectly correct habits. Her relatives and friends are using every effort to find her.

Cut to Pieces By Locomotive.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
ALEXANDRIA, VA., Nov. 20.—Frank DeLeon, a baker, whose home was in Del Ray, Alexandria county, was killed yesterday and his body horribly mangled by a locomotive on the Washington Southern tracks between here and Washington. His head was completely severed from his body and sent flying off. His wife and two children survive him.

Godsey—Wooldridge.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
MOSELEY'S JUNCTION, VA., Nov. 20.—Miss Mamie Aleyce Wooldridge, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Wooldridge, and Mr. James Zebadec Godsey were quietly married Sunday morning at 9 o'clock by Rev. St. George T. Abraham, at the bride's parents' home, near Otterdale, Va.

Judge Nichol for Supreme Bench

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
LEESBURG, VA., Nov. 20.—Judge C. E. Nichol is being urged by his constituents to become a candidate for the Supreme Court of Appeals. Judge Nichol succeeded this circuit Judge Keith, who is president of the Court of Appeals.

Barn Burned in Orange.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
UNIONVILLE, VA., Nov. 20.—John G. Terrell, a prominent farmer, living near Landon, in this county, lost his barn and corn-house and contents, including about 200 head of cattle, together with five horses, two milch cows, buggy and farming implements by fire early Sunday morning.

Reception to Pastor Ball.

A reception in honor of Rev. William Lockhart Ball, who has accepted the pastorate of the West View Baptist Church, will be held this evening from 8 to 11 o'clock at the church.

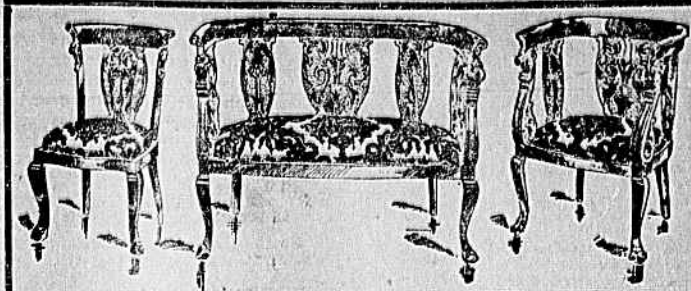
YOUNG BOHEMIAN SHOOT'S COMPANION

So Crazy With Grief He Has to Be Watched to Prevent Suicide.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

AUBURN MILLS, HANOVER COUNTY, VA., November 20.—One day last week a party of Bohemians went up to hunt at the "Dorwell place," which is owned by the American Colonization Society of Chicago. On their return one of the older members proposed that they should unload their guns. Young Gerhart said he would shoot his in the air, but it went off as he raised it, and the entire load lodged under the shoulder of a young man named Zekie, who lingered only a few days. He is still to have been unusually intelligent, with a fair education, and had given up a lucrative position in Chicago for the freedom of a country life, that he enjoyed so much and which has ended so disastrously.

He was to have been married in two weeks, which adds to the sadness of the affair. Young Gerhart, who did the shooting, is in a pitiable condition, nearly crazed with grief, and his friends have to watch him to prevent his putting an end to his own life.



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